Form PTO-1390 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER (REV. 8-2004) WP21387 US TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) TBD **CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371** INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 9/14/2002 9/13/2003 PCT/EP2003/010205 TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DETERMINING THE TOPOLOGY OF A MODULAR ANALYSIS SYSTEM APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Ackermann et al Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 1. 🛛 This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. 3. 🔲 This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). a. 🔲 is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau) b. 🛛 has been communicated by the International Bureau c. 🔲 is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. 🛛 An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). a. 🔯 is attached hereto. b. 🔲 has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. 🛛 Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). a. 🔲 are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. 🗍 have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. 🔲 have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. 🛛 have not been made and will not be made. 8. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) 9. 🛛 An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4). (unsigned) 10. An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: 11. 🛛 An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. A preliminary amendment. 14. An Application Date Sheet Under 37 CFR 1.76. 15. 🛛 A substitute specification. 16. 🔲 A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rue 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825. 18. A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 20. Other items or information: General Appointment of Representative Express Mail label number: EV 421111440 US Date of Deposit: March 8, 2005 a. PCT Request I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service ■ b. International Publication "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFB §1.10 on the date indicated above and c. Notification of Receipt of Demand is addressed to MAIL STOP PCT, Commissioner for Patints, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 2231 d. Search Report e. Response ☐ g. f. Written Opinion Response ☐ h. Forms PCT/IB/304,308,332 Signature of person mailing paper or feet

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## **DECLARATION**

I, Sabine Frieda Katharina Town, declare that I am a citizen of the Federal Republic of Germany, residing at Waldstraße 45, 82386 Oberhausen, Federal Republic of Germany, that I am fluent in German and English, that I am a competent translator from German into English and that the attached is a true and accurate translation made by me into the English language of International Patent Application No. PCT/EP2003/010205 filed on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2003.

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I hereby subscribe my name to the foregoing declaration, this thirty-first day of January 2005.

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